RESTATEMENTS AND AMENDMENTS

In the Claims:

The following is a list of claims currently pending in this application and their current status. This listing of claims replaces all prior versions and listings in this application.

1.   (Currently amended) A computer implemented method of supplying a sales history for a good lacking a sales history, including:

cloning daily sales history data for sales of a <u>cloned</u> good at a plurality of selling locations from actual daily sales history data of an other good sold at the plurality of selling locations;

scaling the cloned daily sales history data upward or downward based on anticipated sales of the ~~other~~ <u>cloned</u> good;

tracking actual sales of the ~~other~~ <u>cloned</u> good for an interval; and

rescaling the cloned daily sales history data based on actual sales of the ~~other~~ <u>cloned</u> good during the interval.

2.   (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the rescaling takes place after the interval without intervention of a user.

3.   (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, wherein the rescaling takes place repeatedly on a predetermined cycle beginning at the end of the interval, without intervention of a user.

4.   (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, wherein cloning daily sales history data includes copying the sales history data.

5.   (Previously presented) The method of claim 2, wherein cloning daily sales history data includes copying the sales history data.

6.   (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, wherein cloning daily sales history data includes creating a reference to the sales history data.

7.   (Previously presented) The method of claim 2, wherein cloning daily sales history data includes creating a pointer to the sales history data.

8.   (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, wherein scaling the cloned daily sales history data includes modifying the cloned daily sales history data.

9.   (Previously presented) The method of claim 2, wherein scaling the cloned daily sales history data includes modifying the cloned daily sales history data.

10.   (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, wherein scaling the cloned daily sales history data includes storing a scaling factor to be applied to the cloned daily sales history data.

11.   (Previously presented) The method of claim 2, wherein scaling the cloned daily sales history data includes storing a scaling factor to be applied to the cloned daily sales history data.

12.   (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, wherein rescaling the cloned daily sales history data includes modifying the cloned daily sales history data.

13.   (Previously presented) The method of claim 2, wherein rescaling the cloned daily sales history data includes modifying the cloned daily sales history data.

14.   (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, wherein rescaling the cloned daily sales history data includes storing a scaling factor to be applied to the cloned daily sales history data.

15.   (Previously presented) The method of claim 2, wherein rescaling the cloned daily sales history data includes storing a scaling factor to be applied to the cloned daily sales history data.

16.   (Withdrawn) A computer implemented method of supplying a sales history for a selling location lacking a sales history, including:

associating sales history data for sales of a plurality of goods at a cloned selling location with an other selling location;

scaling the associated sales history data upward or downward based on anticipated sales at the other selling location;

tracking actual sales of the goods at the other selling location for an interval; and

rescaling the associated sales history data based on actual sales of the goods at the other selling location during the interval.

17.   (Withdrawn) The method of claim 16, wherein the rescaling takes place after the interval without intervention of a user.

18.   (Withdrawn) The method of claim 16, wherein the rescaling takes place repeatedly on a predetermined cycle begin at the end of the interval, without intervention of a user.

19.   (Withdrawn) The method of claim 16, wherein associating sales history data includes copying the sales history data.

20.   (Withdrawn) The method of claim 17, wherein associating sales history data includes copying the sales history data.

21.   (Withdrawn) The method of claim 16, wherein associating sales history data includes creating a reference to the sales history data.

22.   (Withdrawn) The method of claim 17, wherein associating sales history data includes creating a pointer to the sales history data.

23.   (Withdrawn) The method of claim 16, wherein scaling the associated sales history data includes modifying the associated sales history data.

24.   (Withdrawn) The method of claim 17, wherein scaling the associated sales history data includes modifying the associated sales history data.

25.   (Withdrawn) The method of claim 16, wherein scaling the associated sales history data includes storing a scaling factor applicable to the associated sales history data.

26.   (Withdrawn) The method of claim 17, wherein scaling the associated sales history data includes storing a scaling factor applicable to the associated sales history data.

27.   (Withdrawn) The method of claim 16, wherein rescaling the associated sales history data includes modifying the associated sales history data.

28.   (Withdrawn) The method of claim 27, wherein rescaling is based on actual sales of the other selling location as a whole.

29.   (Withdrawn) The method of claim 27, wherein rescaling is based on actual sales of the respective goods at the other selling location.

30.   (Withdrawn) The method of claim 17, wherein rescaling the associated sales history data includes modifying the associated sales history data.

31.   (Withdrawn) The method of claim 30, wherein rescaling is based on actual sales of the other selling location as a whole.

32.   (Withdrawn) The method of claim 30, wherein rescaling is based on actual sales of the respective goods at the other selling location.

33.   (Withdrawn) The method of claim 16, wherein rescaling the associated sales history data includes storing one or more scaling factors applicable to the associated sales history data.

34.   (Withdrawn) The method of claim 33, wherein rescaling is based on actual sales of the other selling location as a whole.

35.   (Withdrawn) The method of claim 33, wherein rescaling is based on actual sales of the respective goods at the other selling location.

36.   (Withdrawn) The method of claim 17, wherein rescaling the associated sales history data includes storing one or more scaling factors applicable to the associated sales history data.

37.   (Withdrawn) The method of claim 36, wherein rescaling is based on actual sales of the other selling location as a whole.

38.   (Withdrawn) The method of claim 36, wherein rescaling is based on actual sales of the respective goods at the other selling location.

39.   (Currently amended) A computer implemented method of supplying a sales history for a good lacking a sales history, including:

cloning daily or more frequent sales history data for sales of a <u>cloned</u> good at a plurality of selling locations from actual daily or more frequent sales history data of an other good sold at the plurality of selling locations;

scaling the cloned daily sales history data upward or downward based on anticipated sales of the ~~other~~ <u>cloned</u> good;

tracking actual sales of the ~~other~~ <u>cloned</u> good for an interval; and

comparing the actual sales of the ~~other~~ <u>cloned</u> good to the sales history data for a set of candidate goods and evaluating whether the sales history of one or more of the candidate goods better matches said actual sales than the cloned daily sales history data of the <u>cloned</u> good.

40.   (Original) The method of claim 39, wherein the actual sales interval includes a plurality of causal periods and evaluating takes place on a causal period by causal period basis.

41.   (Currently amended) The method of claim ~~39~~ <u>40</u>, wherein the evaluating takes place on a daily or more frequent period basis.

42.   (Original) The method of claim 39, wherein comparing and evaluating take place after the actual sales interval, without intervention of a user.